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Espionage and
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Service

17 August 1950

The Director of the Espionage and Counter-Espionage Service

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1. The hour of the counteroffensive is near. Preparations in Hanoi are very necessary. It is our duty to take every step to undo the diabolical schemes of our adversaries.

There are two main objectives towards which we must work:

- a) The intensification of clandestine mobilization.
- b) The recruitment of more local leaders (Can-bo) and their training in the right way.

We must seek every means of planting Con-bo among our adversaries. We must make the population understand that the offensive is coming and that their active help is expected.

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2. We in the Service "F" realize that, in order to secure adequate intelligence, we must have a large number of informers in French, American, British and Dao Dai circles. It is agreed that we must take careful precautions; but we must be audacious. If we are too timid we shall accomplish nothing.
3. We know that not all the inhabitants of Hanoi are stupid; there are very many who are waiting for us and it is our duty to make contact with them. Some of our networks have been smashed; and why? Because we did not adhere strictly to our rules and instructions. We have, too, a serious failing in that we underestimate our adversaries.
4. We are sending you today the Service "F" program, which is to be carried out during the last months of 1950. This program is:
 - a) To collect every possible document which will enable us to frustrate the ruses of our enemies.
 - b) Obtain information on the order of battle of the French and Dao Dai troops.
 - c) Watch closely the security and espionage services of the French, Americans, British and Dao Dai.
 - d) The strictest discipline will be observed.
5. Between now and the end of 1950, you will set up in Hanoi two organizations, whose particular objectives will be the penetration of:
 - a) The General Staff of the ZOT (Zone Operationnelle du Tonkin)
The Staff of the Hanoi Command
 - b) The espionage and counter-espionage activities of the Americans.
6. The Service "F" counts upon your working assiduously and devotedly, in order that independence may be the more quickly achieved.

The Secretary-General of the
Liberation Committee,

NGUYEN KHUONG.*

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* [REDACTED] Comment. No information is available on the Nguyen Khuong who signed the letter. He is possibly identical with Le Hoan, aka aka Nguyen Huan Phuong, aka Nguyen Huan Thao, previously reported as Director-General of the Viet Minh Security Services.

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